

## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL RULES CLEARINGHOUSE

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## **CLEARINGHOUSE RULE 03-111**

## **Comments**

[NOTE: All citations to "Manual" in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Revisor of Statutes Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated October 2002.]

## 5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

- a. In the first paragraph of the analysis, the word "requires" should be replaced by the phrase "requiring that." Also, the next-to-last paragraph of the analysis should describe the fee limit applicable to copies of x-rays.
- b. In s. HFS 117.05 (2) (intro.), and other places in the rule, the rule uses the phrase "duplicate copies." It seems that the clarity of the rule could be enhanced by changing the phrase "duplicate copies" to either "copies" or "duplicates." Referring to both appears to be redundant.
- c. In the note to s. HFS 117.05 (2) (b) and (3) (c), the rule provides that sales taxes may be added to the fee limits. It appears that the intent of the rule may be more adequately expressed by providing that sales taxes may be added to the fees charged, since presumably the sales tax would apply regardless of whether the maximum fee is charged.
- d. In s. HFS 117.05 (3) (c) 1., the rule allows for the charging of "an additional" amount for certifying up to five pages of records. The phrase "an additional" should be inserted in subd. 2., as well.